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## Health Plan Draws Mixed Reviews

*This is the first of a two-part series on the Clinton Health-Care Plan*

By JULIE LARSEN

President Clinton urged Congress and a national television audience last Wednesday to help "write a new chapter in the American story" as he outlined his health-care reform plan. The question arises, will there be happy ending?

In his address, Clinton proposed a plan for provide health care for all Americans, including the 37 million that are currently without health care. Clinton said he planned to pay for the reform by cutting waste from the health-care industry.

Nationwide, reaction to the plan has been mixed in the medical and business fields.

Dr. Robert Bowman, director of rural health education for the department of family practice at the University of Nebraska Medical Center, says overall health-care reform is long overdue.

"We've been patching up our system literally for so long, that there's no help for the patches," Bowman said. "There are just too many people falling through the cracks."

Bowman is also associated with the National Committee on Rural Health Care and the Nebraska Rural Health Association and works with health policy at state and federal level.

Bowman said the health-care plan benefits particularly those people who have no insurance and have been putting off health care. It also benefits their doctors, nurses or social workers.

"It makes their jobs a little bit easier," Bowman said. "Instead of trying to figure out which crack they can plug up, they can actu-

ally work on people's needs."

One negative aspect of the plan, Bowman said, is the cost.

"My main concern is that when you're in Nebraska, where 63 of 93 counties have less than 10,000 people, the focus really needs to be on the community working with local doctors and hospitals and other nearby communities to put together a plan that will work for them. One they can support economically as well as health wise."

Clinton addressed the issue that in recent years, the number of administrators has quadrupled compared to the number of doctors.

"A hospital ought to be a house of healing, not a monument to paperwork and bureaucracy," Clinton said to Congress.

"The paperwork part has become extremely burdensome and some of it is regulatory," Bowman said.

Bowman said that a simpler system would help tremendously.

"How it's implemented will have a great deal to do with how much coordination and decreased hassle there is. Under one system, it would be very easy."

Bowman said that in his dealings with other family physicians, reform has been received well.

"I think that we've been pleased with the direction of health care for some time," Bowman said. "Things have just gotten so bad that anything, any improvement, was a help."

Bowman said he feared there would be too much cut out of certain programs.

A cardiologist Bowman knows is going to cut his staff in order to maintain his salary.

"It's going to make people's lives more difficult," Bowman said. "Those people are

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### Rockin' Without the Rollin'

From left to right: Kristel Luechen, Molley Bennet and Jennifer Szys take part in a rocking marathon. The Rock-a-Thon lasted from 7 a.m. Friday to 7 a.m. Saturday. The members of Sigma Kappa and Zeta Tau Alpha Sororities collected pledges to benefit an Alzheimer's organization.

## Health Fair to Educate

By HEIDI HERMANSON

Students will have the opportunity to learn more about careers in the health field when the University of Nebraska Medical Center brings its health career information services to the Durham Science Center Oct. 6.

The presentation, which will run from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., will include information about all six of the Med Center's colleges (Medicine, Nursing, Pharmacy, Dentistry, Graduate Studies, and Allied Health Services).

Allied Health Services are support areas

that are part of the health care team, said Jody Rutt, manager of enrollment services for the Med Center. The support services include specialty areas such as a nuclear medicine technician, physical therapist, radiation therapy technician, and physician's assistant, Rutt said.

The market for jobs in the health care fields is excellent, Rutt said.

"There will always be a need for health care professions," she said, noting that the need was much greater in rural areas.

Rutt suggested that visiting with personnel at the display could give students a

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## Revisions Get Green Light on Second Try

By JULIE LARSEN

The Student Senate rules committee's second attempt at revisions for the Student Government Constitution and By-Laws met with senate approval Thursday.

In April this year, the rules committee tried to pass a revised version of the constitution and by-laws, but a filibuster forced the withdrawal of the proposal.

"I believe that this is a sound constitution," said Senator Heidi Jeanne Hess, a member of the rules committee, adding that she hoped that there would not be much debate.

One of the revisions in the constitution provides for an increase in the number senate seats from 32 to 37 seats.

Sen. Matt Schulz contested

whether an increase was a wise decision.

"We have a difficult enough time keeping the senate full as it is," Schulz said. "If it's not broke, don't fix it."

"With the increased enrollment on campus we (committee) were attempting to give more representation to this body," Hess said.

Schulz's motion to return the number of seats to its former number failed.

Sen. Matt Arnold's amendment to an amendment to limit the term of student president/regent to two years was approved.

Previous rules allowed a student president/regent to serve an unlimited number of one-year terms. With the amendment, a president/regent may only serve two one-year terms, regardless of sequence.

"I'm in favor of term limits for

pretty much any elected office," Arnold said. "You shouldn't have a president/regent in the office for more than two terms."

Sen. Hess disagreed with the term limit.

"The students on this campus will vote for the president/regent candidate that they feel is the best qualified for the office," Hess said. "If I think that we need to give the students on this campus at least the benefit of the doubt that they will at least have some idea of what is going on."

The revised constitution and by-laws will go to student referendum to be voted on in the October elections, then to the vice chancellor and chancellor before being presented to the University of Nebraska Board of Regents. Students may view the new constitution in the Student Government office.

In other business, the senate

approved a resolution requesting that the math department and administration phase out or greatly reduce the math lab. The senate's resolution called for the replacement of the math lab sections with an equal amount of offerings with instructors.

### In other business:

- The student organization constitutions for UNO Human Resources Association, Tri-Beta honorary, UNO Pre-Pharmacy Club and Delta Sigma Pi honorary were approved.

- The senate approved a \$2,000 allocation from contingency to purchase a new desk for the Student Government secretary.

- Tabitha Demarest and Gary Harper resigned as senators.

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the ones that have been translating what the doctor's have said, interpret orders and do health education. It's hard to figure out if that's waste or not.

"There's a point when the cuts go too far and impact on the availability of people to get good care," he said.

"The main threat I see comes indirectly. If

the government is inefficient, health care resources will become more scarce and less accessible," Bowman added. "That's why I think the community role and the physician role is so key.

Bowman said that there were a few things he would like to have seen in the plan or change about the plan.

"I guess some of the items that were listed in, for instance, in rural areas, I would have preferred a little more specificity just because we mention things, doesn't mean that they are a priority.

"I'm hoping that the plan will be flexible and insures the care continues."



—Ed Carlson

## Smoothing Out the Bumps

Getting around going a little slow on the east end of campus? Road work has narrowed the road down to one lane next to the HPER Building. Workers are rebuilding a large bump which extended across the road.

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realistic idea of what is involved in a program.

For example, someone entering the physical therapy program might think they would be using their skills exclusively to work on athletes, Rutt said. Instead, they may find themselves working on post surgery geriatric patients.

"It's not all pleasant stuff," Rutts said. Because the requirements for admission are strict, students often get the mistaken idea they have to have a 4.0 grade point average to get into the Med Center, Rutt said.

A minimum of a bachelor's degree in science is required for admission into the

program, with some programs requiring a master's degree.

"The biggest hurdle is acceptance," she said, adding that students need a minimum of 20 hours of experience in health care before they will be considered for admittance.

"We'll accept someone with a 3.5 and experience over someone with a 4.0 and no experience," Rutt said.

Tracy M. Fields, a Med Center information specialist, will be available throughout the presentation to answer students' questions and give general information.

## They Can't Dance

Albuquerque N.M. (CPS) — A country and western dance class instructor created a brouhaha by telling a University of New Mexico student that women can't dance with other women in the class.

The class, which attracted many women, was offered by the physical education department for one credit hour with the intent to teach students how to dance in social situations, according to the Daily Lobo, the school newspaper.

The instructor, Jim Calvert, made the comment to graduate student Jill Cornell. He later said he did not intend to discriminate, but wanted to keep the ratio of men and women even so traditional roles could be practiced in the classroom.

## NEWS BITS

### UNO Center Names Associate Director

Mary Lynn Reiser has been named as associate director of the UNO Center for Economic Education. The center, which is supported by the Colleges of Education and Business Administration, works with classroom teachers and school districts to enhance the role of economics in curriculum.

Reiser served as program coordinator of the center since 1986. As associate director, she will be responsible for planning workshops an classes and consulting with teachers and school districts.

### Med Center, Creighton Offer Free Screenings

As part of National Depression Screening Day on Oct. 5, the combined psychiatry department of the University of Nebraska Medical Center and Creighton University will be offering free depression screenings and presentations.

The psychiatry department is sponsoring the program which will include a presentation on the causes, symptoms and treatments of depression. Participants will complete an anonymous self-inventory of depression symptoms and can discuss the results with a mental health professional.

The program will run in two sessions, from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m., at the University Psychiatric Associates Clinic, 602 So. 45th St. Pre-registration is required. To pre-register, call 559-5035.

### Shutterbugs Can Snap Away in Lied Jungle

Photography buffs can spend "A Day at the Jungle," and explore the world of animal photography with a new noncredit course offered by the UNO College of Continuing Studies.

Enthusiasts can take a trip through the Lied Jungle at the Henry Doorly Zoo with a professional photographer, on a course that will offer tips and techniques of animal photography, explore photo possibilities and offer photograph critique.

For more information or to register, call 595-2308.

### Health Services Will Offer Free HIV Testing

UNO Health Services will offer free HIV testing on day in October. Call 554-2374 for a confidential appointment.

### Learn More About Road Plans at Meeting

An informational meeting will be held Thursday about the proposed Elmwood Park renovation plan and road construction options.

The meeting will be in the Eppley Auditorium from 10 a.m. until 11:30 a.m.

Faculty, staff and students are welcome to listen to UNO representatives who will make presentations and answer questions.

For more information call University Relations at 554-2358.

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## 'Gen. N' vs. The World

I know I'm here a few days early, but I just can't stand to stay away. Actually good ol' David Crum is ill and I, being the patron saint of losers, have taken it upon myself to fill in for him. Hope you're feeling better, David.

Well, kids, it's time for a trip down amnesia lane.

After an exhausting day of third grade, my size 4 feet would carry me home as quickly as they possibly could. I'd run through yards, up hills, and across streets only stopping to knock pink and blue nylon backpacks off the

Angi Sada

**COLUMNIST**

shoulders of first graders. I'd climb the stairs to my house, throw my Snoopy lunch box and blue Jordache bag on the floor, and dive for the couch. With the wired remote control in my hand, I would flip switches and press the buttons in search of channel 14. I'd sit patiently through commercials and wait for that oh-so-familiar music to waft gently through the air. The sight of the junky yellow school bus and Canadian kids being run through a meat grinder meant only one thing: "You Can't Do That On Television."

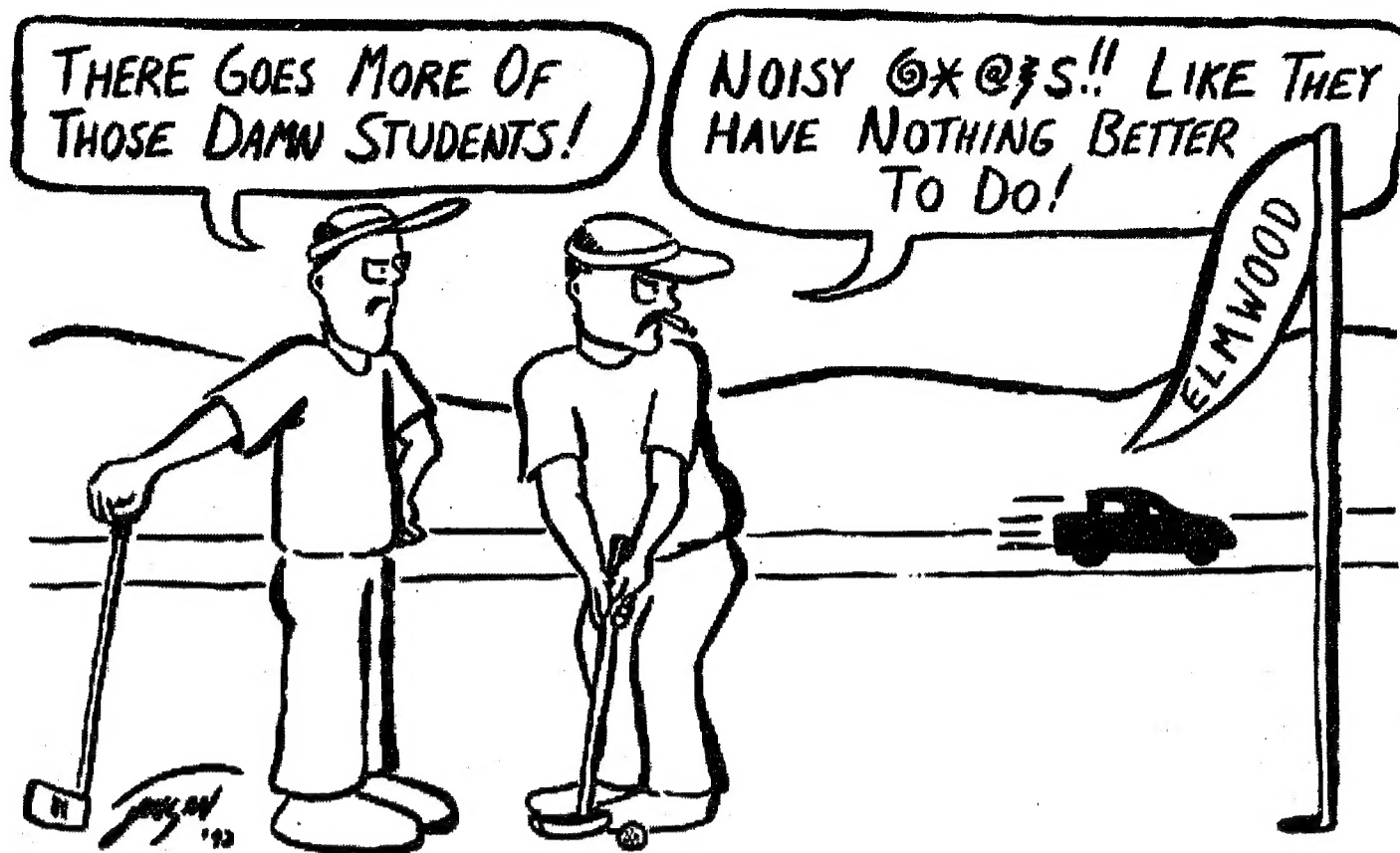
My name is Angi, and I'm a member of the Nickelodeon Generation.

You've heard of the MTV Generation or Generation X, haven't you? If not, these are the people who remember "Johnny Quest" and liked the way Tang tasted.

You've seen pictures of your older siblings in culottes and clogs. Or maybe even pictures of yourself dressed corduroys and Velcro Nikes. That is Gen. X.

I, on the other hand, have never seen "Johnny Quest", nor have I ever taken a sip of Tang.

I do recall, from the depths of my memory



banks, having a sip of my mother's Tab at a picnic. I remember Barf, Lisa, Aleistar and Moose. I remember Mark Summers and wanting so desperately to run through the "Double Dare" obstacle course.

I know that I am not alone in these memories. Admit it. You were there, too. Probably in that same let-me-at-that-Nintendo stance. And if you are half aware of the world in which you live, you are probably sick of hearing about those holier-than-thou Gen. X-ers.

As a part of the Nickelodeon Generation (to now be referred to as Gen. N), I've noticed a bit of tension between us and our arrogant, yet directionless predecessors. Becoming the darlings of Rolling Stone and Newsweek was the least of their worries. It seems to me, however, that this was one of

the few goals they have actually reached. Sadder yet, it appears to be an accident.

They have stolen the streets in their Chevy Cavilers and blasted R.E.M. nearly out of style.

Their impudent attitude towards all that are not them further alienates Gen. N-ers. Being Gen. N comes with a few responsibilities such as installing bumping bass into your vehicle, avoiding dress that might insinuate that you are a reject from the Partridge Family, and at all costs, resenting being placed amongst the ranks of Gen. X.

The biggest problem associated with being Gen. N is the size of the gap between us and Gen. X. The miniature gap between us leaves us looking as if we are riding their proverbial coattails.

The search is on for our own identities.

From the freaks in the Old Market to the Greeks in matching sweatshirts and baseball caps with ponytails hanging out, we're all trying to find our niche. Gen. X however seems to be becoming my parents with their fashionable love of Motown and their cutsie androgynous names.

The biggest responsibility of being Gen. N is being your own person. Escape the norm. Don't let what is on your mind fester there and never leave your lips. Don't be lost. If you don't know where you are; create your own map. Don't let the attention that Gen. X is getting drag you down. Unlike them, make your own scene. don't steal your parents'.

To the Gen. X-er's I have little to say. *Spin* is better than *Rolling Stone* and Super Mario Brothers beats the crap out of Pong any day.

## Different Molding Between Sexes

Men and women are different. No, I am not talking anatomically, everyone knows that. What, are you stupid? I am talking about the way we relate to life and how we are molded differently by society.

Take for example people who haven't seen each other in a long time.

Men and women react differently upon finding themselves in this situation. Let's journey to "Testosterone Land" shall we?

"Tom, you pot-bellied, bald-headed son-of-a-bitch, what the hell have you been up to?" (Punch in shoulder.)

"Long time no see, how are you?" (Time moves on.)

"Well, got to go, stay in touch."

Both men walk away, and one guy turns to his companion and says, "Boy, I haven't seen old Tom for a long time. Hell of a nice guy. He'd give you the shirt off his back."

Now let's look at a similar scenario among women.

"Debbie, how are you darling, (kiss, kiss.) you look wonderful. Oh, I love that color on you. Have you lost weight? You simply look marvelous." (Time moves on.)

"Well, I must run, call me soon, we'll do lunch." (Kiss, kiss.)

Both women walk away and one woman

turns to her companion and says, "Can you believe how fat Debbie has gotten, and that dress, ugh! Gag! What an atrocious color on her. And the design, she looked like a multi-colored circus tent. She is such a bitch, I hope she never calls me."

The thought patterns are reversed here.

Why is it men are so mean to each other face to face and then talk so nice behind their backs? Why are women nice to each other face to face but viciously tear each other apart behind their backs?

Does this make sense to you? It doesn't to me either.

Let's talk about the difference between men and women drivers. Come on, you can face the truth here, we're all adults.

Men will not ask for directions when they are lost. They just drive around aimlessly hoping to happen upon their final destination. That's how Christopher Columbus discovered America. He was looking for the Indies, got lost and sailed around until he found land.

Typical man.

If that had been a woman, she would have pulled over at the first sight of land and asked for directions.

How about the issue of shopping? Women view shopping as a sport, and men think of it as a necessity. A man and a woman could go shopping for the same item, but a man takes five minutes, and a woman an hour.

Men behave like Neanderthals during shopping trips. "Ugh, me like, good shirt, me buy."

Women think of shopping like men think of relationships. So many malls, so little time.

Men and women have very different ideas about commitments.

Commitment to a man is usually as long as his attention span. Women think of commitment like men feel about underwear. As long as it's still has a little give and take in the right places it's OK.

Body functions are another item the sexes don't see eye to eye on.

Women seldom discuss most bodily functions. Body functions to men are Olympic

events. How stinky, how loud, how long. I think they even award medals in each event.

I over heard my 13-year-old son tell his friend that he had a present for him that he'd been saving all day long.

He proceeded to fart on his head. How quaint.

I am not saying women don't have bodily functions, I am just stating that we don't bestow them on other people as gifts.

If men had menstrual cycles it would become a competition. They would announce it to the world and brag about using jumbo products.

Manufacturers can sell anything to men as long as it's jumbo-sized. Jumbo-sized toilet paper to a man must be seventh heaven.

Women want everything petite. "I'll have the petite filet, thank you." The smaller and cuter a word or object sounds the more a woman wants it.

I am not trying to say one sex is superior to the other, I am just trying to point out the differences. People should be more aware of the way society molds us.

Why not try to have the best of both worlds? Next time you go out, put into practice a mixed view of the world.

Order a petite filet and jumbo shrimp.

Liz Kelley  
**COLUMNIST**

## I Dump Back

Dear Editor,

"Why should you look at me when you hate me?"

"Why should I look at you when you hate me too..."

— "Get in the Ring"  
by Guns N' Roses

These words seem to characterize the relationship between the gay and straight communities on campus. Both fighting to be recognized, both wishing the other would leave them alone. Why can't we just learn not to look at each other unless we can see each other

for who we are, not what we are?

For the record, I am a straight male, age 25, who is moderately homophobic. That is, I can tolerate homosexuality except where it is pushed upon me by those militant gays who think everyone should be homosexual. Or where I see open displays of homosexual affection. Frankly, it turns my stomach.

But I'm not going to say it's wrong. I might say it's unnatural, but that's obviously just my opinion. And my opinions are what make me who I am.

Until now, I used to read the *Gateway* with anticipation and an open mind. Now I must endure three pages of editorials, mostly on the gay-straight conflict. It seems on this campus that if you aren't homosexual, or don't openly

exhibit a positive view towards homosexuality, you get dumped on. Well, go ahead and dump on me. I dump back.

Sure, David Clute was a little extreme in his first letter in the Sept. 10 *Gateway*. But he has a right when he says that the Christian God is against homosexuality. Remember Sodom & Gomorrah in the Old Testament? And Jesus did preach love of your fellow man, but I think he meant the brotherly kind of love, not the sexual.

Let's not fight amongst each other. Let's fight the common enemies we all have. Ignorance, prejudice and bigotry can be fought against, and the fight for true enlightenment won. We must start somewhere. And if starting means not looking until we can see who we are, then let me be the first to put on the blinders.

John Scheibeler  
UNO Student

## Gateway Paternalistic

Dear Editor,

On Sept. 9 between 25 and 35 people gathered at a Student Senate meeting on the third floor of the Student Center. They were of different ages, color and gender. Some knew each other, most didn't. There were single people, married people, working people and parents. They were all very different but they had two things in common. They were all students, and they came to voice their individual opinions against the \$40,000 fountain.

This doesn't happen at UNO very often. For various reasons, student involvement is very low on this campus. But on Sept. 9, involvement was high.

Since then, this group of students has not only been reduced to "Jen's followers," but

insulted for not picking the "real issues" to speak out on.

If the *Gateway* thinks it's "great to see students pulling together against something they feel strongly against," then give them some credit for trying. Rome wasn't built in a day, and maybe if these students would have gotten a more receptive response from the senate, the administration and the *Gateway*, not only would they possibly have rethought their position on the fountain but maybe even have been motivated to pursue other issues on campus as well.

I'm disappointed in the paternalistic, alienating attitude the *Gateway* took on this issue. You have further discouraged student involvement on this campus by trivializing what was obviously an important issue to them.

If the *Gateway* feels so strongly about all of these other "important issues" affecting our campus, start informing us on ways we can get involved and where to go to make our voices heard.

Brenna Moray  
UNO Student

## Senators Serve Us

Dear Editor,

This letter is in regards to the editorial "Hysterics Becoming the Norm in Agenda-Setting," by Chris Langdon (Sept. 21 *Gateway*). Before I address my concerns, I would like to mention that I know Chris is an intelligent, logical person. And I, being closer to a conservative Republican than any other political affiliation, agree with him on many issues. However, I've never let my personal tendencies over-interfere with my logic (I'm far from perfect).

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I quote, "Only liberals would tell half-truths about an issue which they know little about themselves." I can think of one exception off hand. I don't mean to be crass, but his statement regarding the Fine Arts Building was, at least, inadequate. He argued that the Strauss Performing Arts Building was sufficient and the Fine Arts Building was frivolous. First of all, most fine arts classes were previously held in the Arts and Sciences Hall. Other fine arts classes, as well as student art shows, were held in a run-down building on 11th and Jackson

Streets in the Bemis Building. The Strauss Performing Arts Building is entirely unrelated — the key word being *performing* arts.

"The fountain is harmless," he wrote.

I realize that funds are to be used for property improvement and that there is a relative abundance of money in the reserve — This has come up before. However, be it \$40,000 or \$40, it's not worth it to throw it into something that "is harmless."

Liberals offer no alternatives?

Last year, Mike McKenna (former candi-

date for student/president regent and chief justice of student court) proposed increasing library hours or renting a room in Milo Bail Student Center for late night studying, serving coffee, etc. The proceeds for this would go to UNO instead of, say, Perkins.

These ideas were well thought out with regards to funds and student needs. However, I suppose these aren't considered "property improvements."

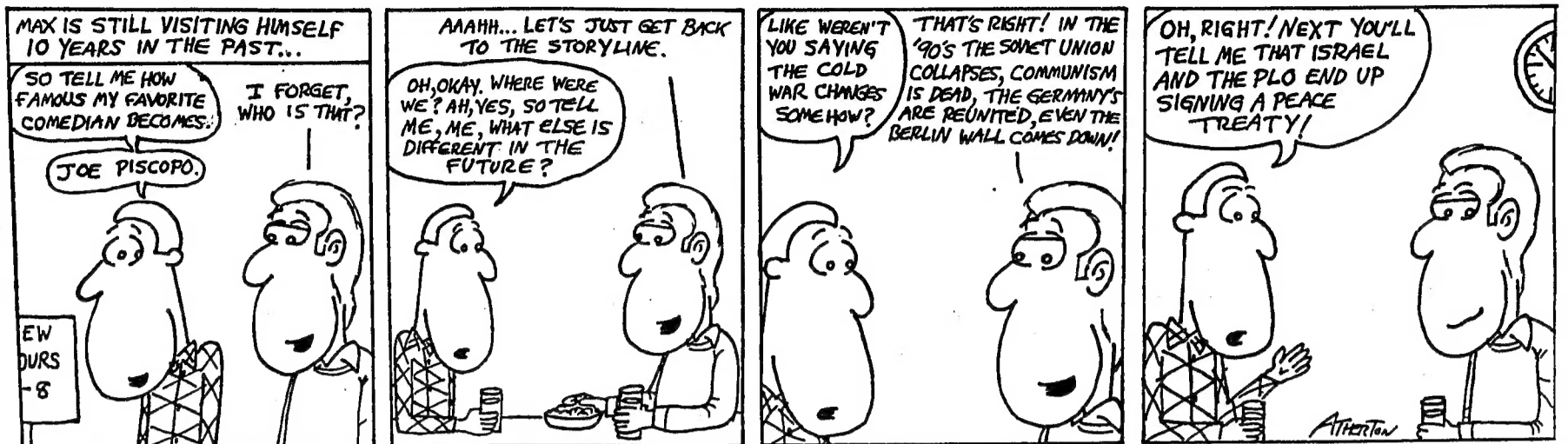
To me, while classes are suffering, the need for teachers growing and the library is suffering,

building a fountain smacks of Nero playing with his infamous fiddle in a burning Rome.

So even though some funds are reserved for other purposes besides these endeavors, we fountain-opposers (a majority of UNO students according to a *Gateway* survey) are defending a principle, not selling ourselves to a body of senators with their own agenda. The last time I checked, they were supposed to represent us.

Theresa Caswell  
UNO Student

Big Max



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# Race Relations Not What They Seem

By KARMA J.C. CAMPHOR

How are race relations in America? Where did negative racial stereotypes originate and how do these stereotypes impact relations between blacks and whites today?

Brenda Verner, president of the Chicago-based Verner Communications, shared her views on race relations with a group of students and faculty at UNO Thursday.

Verner began her speech with an account of an attack on the Cornell University bookstore while she was a student there. Verner said the racial disharmony she experienced while on campus in the '70s left a bitter taste in her mouth. This, along with her study of the black experience once created a lot of anger.

But Verner said she has since realized that "anger regarding the past cannot change the future, because the future is not a white or black future."

Verner said her motto is: "Things are not as bad as some people say they are and they are not as good as others would like to believe they are."

The history of black-white relations is a long one, Verner said. Black and white people have had a relationship since before this nation was a nation. Today's American popular culture is derived from a combination of African and European tastes.

Finally, said Verner, the rela-

tionship between black and white people is "intimate" because they share one another's blood.

Verner said she always wondered where white people originally got their ideas and opinions regarding black people. Then she discovered "trade cards."

Trade cards were an early form of advertisements with a picture of the product on the front and a few lines selling the product. Verner has a collection of about 4,000 trade cards, political cartoons, advertisements and magazines.

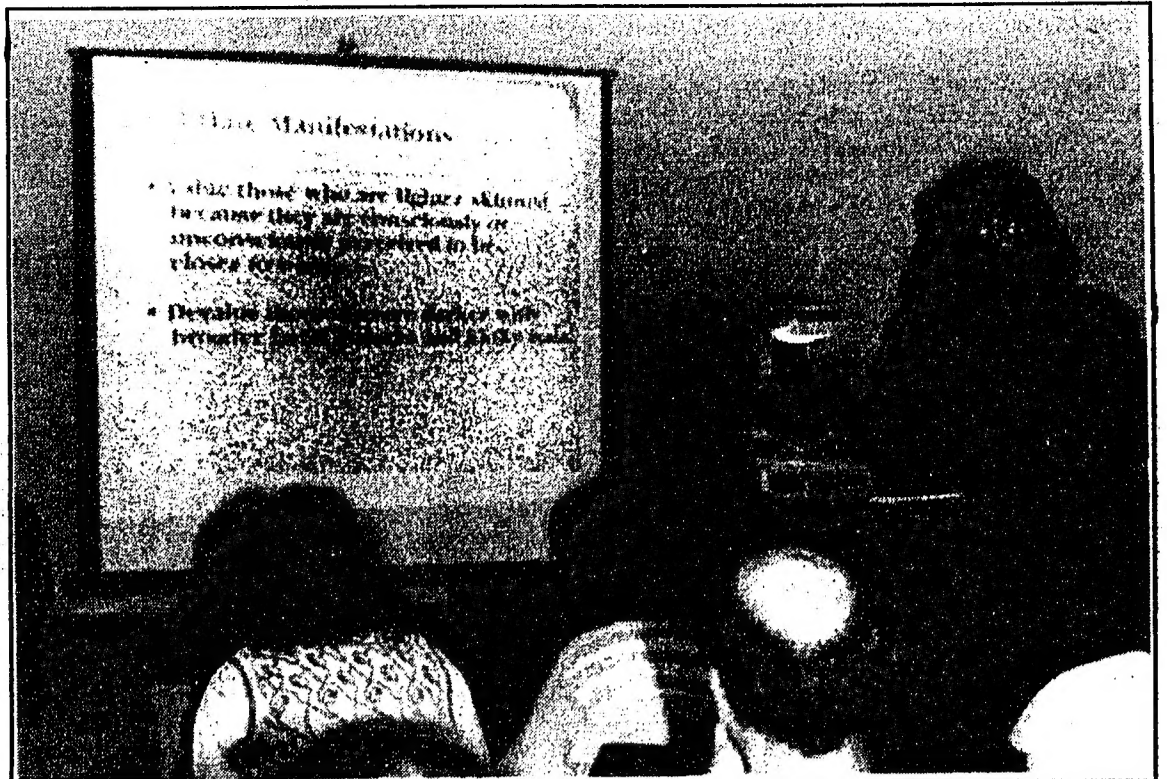
A sample of this collection was presented in a slide show Verner said author Alex Haley encouraged her to develop.

According to Verner, advertising from as early as the 1800s has portrayed black people in America in a negative manner. Verner cited examples of black skin being equated with dirty skin and black men and women being dehumanized by portrayals as animals and disfigurements.

These and many other types of imagery are related to the current negative stereotypes, Verner said.

Historically, the media has been the leading factor in fueling negative stereotypes. Her feeling is the media "dictates white beauty and sets a tone and the taste for what America wants to look like."

Verner said that during the early '70s, television and film created an image of blacks as pimps, prostitutes and other deviant characters. In 1973, Verner said she compiled a survey of nighttime television dra-



—Lisa Tosoni

Brenda Verner discussed race relations before a group of UNO students and faculty Thursday.

mas (not including series) and discovered every black woman was portrayed as a prostitute.

According to Verner, years of this negative focus has brainwashed many black and white Americans into believing all blacks fit these images.

To the rescue in the late '70s came black publications opening doors that had been closed, Verner said. These publications presented society with a more positive image

of black people, Verner said.

At the same time, a new era of blacks in various professional and good samaritan roles were introduced. Verner said blacks had always held such roles, but awareness of them had been limited.

Verner hopes to join in on the task of removing negative imagery of blacks with her upcoming talk show scheduled for the beginning of next year.

Overall, Verner said one of the

subconscious origins of the conflict between races can be credited to group territorialism and cultural protection.

The butting of heads between black and white people is a "question of power and who has definitive authority and who is going to be able to institute their authority."

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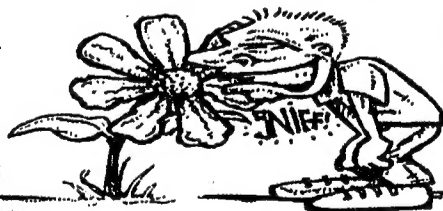
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# AIDS Not Only Concern

By KAREN NEUSTADT

College Press Services — AIDS is not the only threat to college students who explore their sexuality. At least 50 other sexually transmitted diseases (STDs) could threaten your life, your health and the ability to bear children in the future.

"Sixty percent of new STDs reported are among people under 25 years of age, and there are 12 million new infections each year," said Peggy Clarke, executive director of the American Social Health Association (ASHA) in North Carolina.

Clarke, who stressed the price of an STD can be a lifetime of heartache, says some serious STDs are not getting the media attention AIDS does, leaving young people to guess about what the diseases are and how to avoid getting them. Also, because many STDs are asymptomatic, silently damaging bodies over a period of years, college students may not realize they are infected.

A report released earlier in the year on the AIDS virus in the United States by Surgeon General Antonia C. Novella brought a strong statement from Clarke.

"The reports focus on HIV paints only part of the picture and does not go far enough in warning women of the tremendous risks they may be taking with their health each time they have sex," Clarke said.

For example, hepatitis B, an STD that causes thousands of deaths each year due to related liver cancer and cirrhosis, is as widespread and 100 times more contagious than AIDS and infects more than 300,000 Americans annually.

Only 1 percent of the 28 million young Americans at risk of hepatitis B infection have been vaccinated, according to the Baltimore-based American College Health Association (ACHA). Between 6 percent and 10 percent of those infected with hepatitis B become chronic carriers of the virus, and about 25 percent of carriers develop chronic active hepatitis.

While ACHA has initiated a campaign to have every college student in the United States vaccinated against the disease, health experts don't want to downplay the numerous other STDs college students risk while they are sexually active.

"There are now more than 50 STDs, many of them are associated with cancer, pelvic inflammatory disease, ectopic pregnancy, infertility and fetal loss," Clarke said.

College students may also be at risk of being exposed to genital warts, herpes, syphilis, gonorrhea, chlamydia, trichomoniasis and bacterial vaginosis. Bacterial vaginosis strikes one in four women in the United States.

"The message is simple," Clarke said. "Any act of sexual intercourse, outside of a relationship with a mutually monogamous uninfected partner, will put a woman at risk for a host of health problems."

The prevalence of STDs among college students prompted ACHA officials to publish a brochure entitled "My Health Matters: How to Talk to Your Doctor About Sexual Health," which was designed for younger women. The brochure focuses on reproductive tract infections common to young women.

Because such infections are not visible, a woman can be infected and not realize it. Diseases like chlamydia or gonorrhea can go undetected for years, yet still be a serious threat to her health. Infections can evolve into pelvic inflammatory disease, a potentially life-threatening ailment, and infertility. Also, if an infected young woman becomes pregnant, she could pass the infection on to the unborn child.

It is important for young men and women to know if they are infected with an STD, the brochure states, because the earlier it is detected and cured, or at least treated, the less damage can occur.

It is recommended by health officials that students seek treatment or physician referral at their campus health centers.

Also, public health clinics are highly recommended for students who are concerned about their privacy and want treatment for STDs, according to Malinda Lochner, a public health adviser at the Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta.

"Clinics are ideal for younger people. It removes the stigma, and many have a personal touch," she said. "The doctors there are looking for certain problems."

"If it were me, or even my child, that's where I would go for treatment. There are many excellent clinics."

Even with a lot of education about STDs, college students often feel invincible when it comes to their sexual health, Lochner said, and some will ignore symptoms until the problem becomes serious.

Clarke, of the ASHA, says that though college students may have been sexually active for a number of years, they may not be communicating with their partners. They may have some information about AIDS, but could know woefully little about other sexually transmitted diseases.

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# Groups Celebrate the Right to Read

By KATHARINE STOLTZFUS

From Jean Auel's "The Valley of the Horses" to Emile Zola's "J'accuse," books are being challenged, burned and banned on a regular basis in communities across the United States according to Marlayn Cragun, executive director of the Nebraska Civil Liberties Union in Lincoln.

In support of the "basic right to read guaranteed in the First Amendment," the NCLU, along with the American Library

was challenged by concerned parents because of its "lewd, indecent and violent contents."

Cragun said that although challenges to books are widespread, it is difficult to assess the magnitude of the situation.

"There's no real reporting effort made to library associations or the NCLU that says every time a book gets challenged," Cragun said. "Oftentimes people don't want to publicize it anyway. So it's hard to keep track of how many, but it happens all the time."

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and "depressing."

• "The Merchant of Venice" by William Shakespeare. Banned by Midland, Mich., classrooms due to "anti-Semitism."

• "Forever" by Judy Blume. Challenged by public libraries in Cedar Rapids, Iowa and Holdrege, Neb., because of "four-letter words and talk about masturbation, birth control and disobedience to parents."

Nebraska is not immune to censorship and efforts to ban books. Cragun said there have been many instances of books being challenged in Nebraska over the past several years.

"It happens every year. In Omaha, for one example, they tried to get Madonna's 'Sex' book removed from the public library. They've tried to remove 'A Light in

the Attic" by Shel Silverstein, and they've tried to remove a dictionary."

In recognition of "Banned Books Week," the NCLU will be announcing "Art Censors of the Year" on Oct. 3.

Pat Ketterson, owner of Ketterson's Old Market Bookstore, is doing her part to increase awareness in the Omaha area. "We've got a big window of books that've been banned and four big posters. We always go all out on 'Banned Books Week'."

Cragun said "Banned Books Week" is a way to "remember that the First Amendment is still alive and still being challenged. If we remain silent and we don't inform people that there are forces out there trying to remove 'Hansel and Gretel,' then the First Amendment will die."

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Association, the American Booksellers Association, the Association of American Publishers and others, is sponsoring "Banned Books Week — Celebrating the Freedom to Read." Beginning Sept. 25 and lasting through Oct. 2, the event is intended to increase awareness of censorship efforts in Nebraska and across the country.

"A lot of different artists and books are being challenged every year in schools, in libraries and across different institutions," Cragun said.

"It's something we defend in litigation constantly. This is just a way to educate people, to let them know that maybe they're not hearing about the cases every day, but it's still happening every day."

According to the NCLU, books that have been challenged over the past year include Ray Bradbury's "Fahrenheit 451," Nathaniel Hawthorne's "Young Goodman Brown and Other Short Stories" and the children's book, "The Cabbages Are Chasing the Rabbits."

In Brooklyn Center, Minn., the Bible

Week," the American Library Association has compiled an incomplete listing of books that have been "challenged, burned or banned somewhere in the United States in the last 15 years." Among them are:

• "The Color Purple" by Alice Walker. Rejected for purchase by Hayward, Calif., school trustees because of its "troubling ideas about race relations, man's relationship to God, African history and human sexuality."

• "The Living Bible" by William C. Bower. Burned in Gastonia, N.C., as a "perverted commentary on the King James Version."

• "The Shining" by Stephen King. Challenged by the Campbell County, Wyo., school system and banned by the Washington County, Ala., Board of Education because it "contains violence and demonic possession and ridicules the Christian religion."

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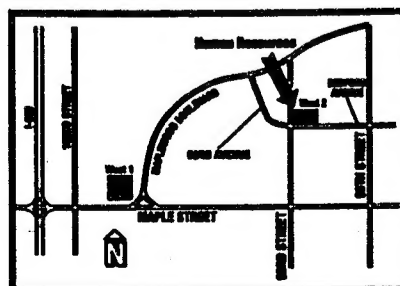
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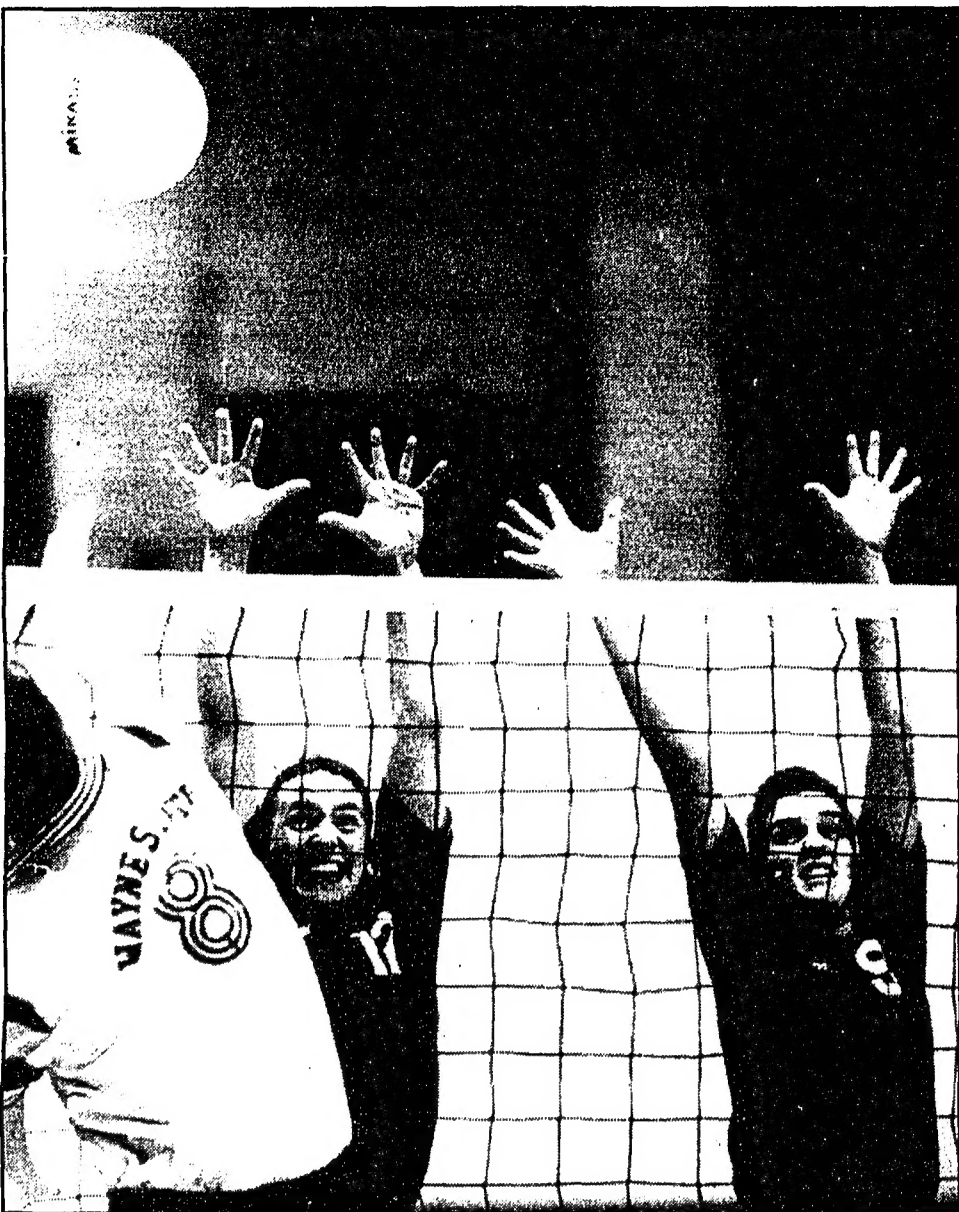
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## Wildcat Defeat Sets Up Lady Mavs

By TIM ROHWER

The Wildcats of Wayne State College looked rather mild Saturday in the UNO Fieldhouse as UNO swept them in volleyball.

The Lady Mavs beat the Mildcats, er, Wildcats 15-7, 15-2, 15-9 to improve their record to 10-3. Wayne State dropped to 3-7.

Junior middle blocker Michele Highland led UNO in kills with 10, while freshman setter Amy Steffel led in service aces with five.

UNO made just nine errors against the Wildcats, compared to 14 against Peru State College last Tuesday.

Lady Mav Coach Rose Shires said she was particularly pleased with that category.

"Our serving was much better and we had far fewer errors," Shires said. "We were working on that all week in practice and everybody did an excellent job today."

Highland said, "We practiced on our serving and passing and today we did a good job of taking care of the ball."

One of Highland's kills came during a close moment in the first game and gave UNO the momentum to break the contest open.

With UNO leading 6-4, Highland slammed the ball between several Wayne players on the left side of the Wildcat court for the kill

and the first of seven straight points by the Lady Mavs.

Junior outside hitter Kevin Campbell clinched the game with a service ace.

Campbell had another service ace in the second game to help make it no contest as the Wildcats scored just two points.

A slight scare, though, came to the Lady Mavs in the third game as they saw Wayne State score three straight points to come to within 13-8, forcing Shires to call time out to stop the Wildcat momentum.

Highland again came through with a big point with her tenth and final kill to stop the Wildcat threat.

The final point for the game and match came from Steffel, one of several of Shires' newcomers to play frequently throughout the match.

Highland said their playing time is important to the team.

"The younger players are playing a lot and that's good because if anyone gets injured, we know they can come in and do well," she said.

Shires said the victory against Wayne State should set the team up well for Friday's home match with the University of North Dakota and Saturday's match with North Dakota State University (NDSU).

The Bison of NDSU are currently third in the nation in the NCAA Division II poll, while the Lady Mavs are 13th.

## Coyote Win Drops Mavs to 1-3

By TIM ROHWER

An aggressive defense and some fleet running by the Coyotes propelled the University of South Dakota (USD) to a 27-10 victory against the UNO Maverick football team Saturday.

An estimated crowd of 4,600 at Al Caniglia Field saw the Mavs drop to a 1-3 record, while USD improved to 3-1.

USD quarterback Broc Halseth ran for two touchdowns and passed for another, while teammates Tom Menage, Eric Washington, John Boyd and Gerald Favors provided a balanced running attack as the Coyotes finished with 331 total yards offense with 264 yards of those rushing.

Meanwhile, the Coyote defense allowed UNO just 158 total yards, including zero yards rushing in the first half.

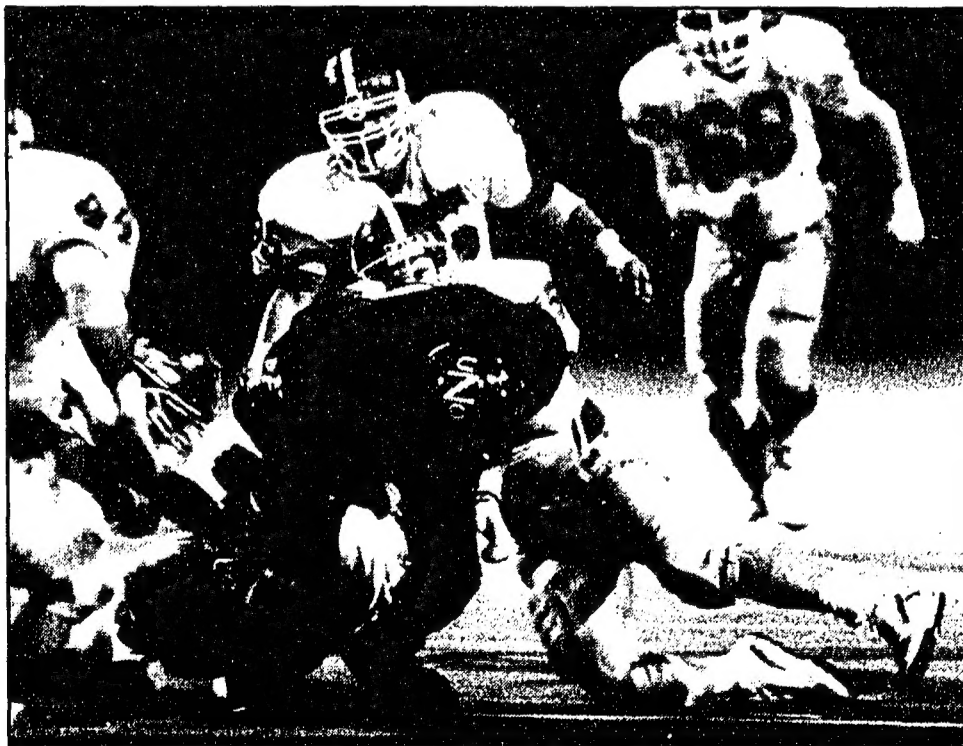
"Our running was a concern," said UNO Coach Tom Mueller. "South Dakota's defense was very aggressive and it certainly didn't help us when John Coniglio (UNO starting offensive guard) got hurt on Thursday."

Coniglio hurt a knee during Thursday's practice and was unable to play.

The Coyotes took little time to get their offense moving by marching 87 yards for a touchdown on their first possession. The score came on a 6-yard run by Menage, capping the 15-play drive.

Two plays later, USD was back in action at the UNO 18-yard line, following a fumble recovery of a bobbled handoff between quarterback Josh Luedtke and running back Maurad Cave.

It took USD five plays to get on the scoreboard again with Halseth finding tight end Brandon Siegfried all alone in the left corner of the end zone for a 5-yard touch-



UNO's Maurad Cave picks up short yardage before being tackled by several USD Coyotes in Saturday night's football matchup at Caniglia Field.

down pass.

The fact that no Mav defenders were around Siegfried particularly bothered Mueller.

"That was a big-time mix up," he said. "The receiver was wide open. That's happening too much."

UNO took advantage of a Coyote mistake in the second quarter to close the gap to 14-7.

The Mavs took over at the South Dakota 32-yard line when Coyote punter Jonathan Audiss fumbled the snap and was tackled by linebacker Demetrius Richards.

On the first play of the touchdown drive, sophomore quarterback Jason Cahill threw a pass to receiver John Medley for a 17-yard gain to the Coyote 15. It was Cahill's first play of the game after replacing Luedtke who started the contest.

Following a running play in which senior Lamont White lost a yard, Cahill hit senior wide receiver Todd Hurt in the left corner of the end zone for the score.

The Mavs made the score closer in the third quarter when junior kicker Brian Ruch

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## Hendricks Disappointed

By TIM ROHWER

The UNO women's cross-country team finished fourth out of seven teams at the Doane Invitational in Crete, last Saturday.

For Coach Tim Hendricks, though, that was one position too low for his liking.

"We should have gotten third. Hastings (College) beat us out for that spot," he said. "This is the first year since I've been here that Hastings has beaten us. It's hard to swallow. I'm having a hard time accepting it."

Hendricks has been the Lady Mav cross-country coach since 1986.

UNO finished with a score of 125 at the meet in which the team with the lowest score won.

The University of Nebraska-Lincoln (UNL) won the meet with a score of 24, followed by Doane College's 36 and Hastings' 100.

Hendricks said he was not surprised at the top two finishers.

"Nebraska has a major program and Doane was third at the NAIA (National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics) national championship last year," he said. "I figured it was no contest for those two spots."

The Lady Mavs finished behind Hastings in part because of the disappointing performance of one runner in the 5,000-meter race, Hendricks said.

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booted a 43-yard field goal, climaxing a drive that started on the UNO 8-yard line.

With the score 14-10, it appeared the Mavs had the momentum, but USD responded to the challenge on its next possession by marching 79 yards for a touchdown.

The Coyotes stayed on the ground the entire distance with Boyd having a big run late in the drive.

Boyd's run came after Favors ran up the middle from the Mav 7 into the end zone. The Coyotes, though, were penalized for holding. The ball was placed back at the 16, apparently slowing the Coyote momentum.

On the next play, Boyd took the handoff from Halseth and eluded several Mav tacklers around the left side before being tackled inside the 1-yard line.

Halseth dove over the goal line on the next play.

Mueller said that drive was probably the turning point of the game because it stopped UNO's momentum. It was also the second straight game in which the opponent opened the third quarter by scoring a touchdown.

"Our opponents have done this two weeks in a row now," he said. "It's real discouraging because we have the people in the right places to make the tackles and we don't."

The Coyotes ended any chance of a UNO comeback when they took advantage of a Mav miscue late in the fourth quarter to score their fourth touchdown.

Defensive end Tony Plantenberg recovered a fumbled punt return by Hurt at the UNO 7, and Halseth scored from there three plays later.

Despite the loss, Mueller praised his team's effort and offered kind words for Hurt.

"I've never questioned that the kids play hard. They're playing hard every time we go out on that field," he said. "Hurt's fumble in the fourth quarter was not a factor in the outcome. He's done a real good job."

UNO will play its homecoming game Saturday night at 7 p.m. at Caniglia Field against St. Cloud State University.

## Lady Mavs Defeat Nebraska To Win Creighton Classic

By TIM ROHWER

The Lady Mavs softball team won the Creighton (University) Classic Softball Tournament over the weekend.

UNO won all six of its games during the four-day event, including an 11-7 victory against the University of Nebraska-Lincoln (UNL) in the championship game Sunday.

"It was an awesome win," UNO Coach Mary Yori said of the victory over UNL. "Being the little sister university to them, nobody gives us much respect, but it was fun. We beat most of the major schools in Nebraska."

The games were considered exhibitions and will not count in any regular season standings, said Yori.

The pitching stars for the Lady Mavs during the tournament were freshmen, including Tracy Carey.

She won three games, including the championship game.

Holly Voss and Jenni Upenieks won the other three games for UNO.

Yori said several of her starters are freshmen.

"I'm starting five or six freshmen with good talent," she said. "Being the first time out and playing against outside competition, they all showed good composure and competitiveness. We have real good potential as a young team."

The Lady Mavs opened the tournament

Thursday by beating the College of St. Mary, 14-2, and Creighton, 7-2.

They resumed action on Saturday with a 6-2 win against Augustana College.

Sunday was no day of rest for UNO, especially Carey. She won two of the Lady Mavs three games that day with wins against the University of Missouri at Kansas City (UMKC) and UNL.

Carey also had the biggest hit in the championship game against UNL, a three-run homer in the sixth inning.

"It was a see-saw battle throughout the game," Yori said.

"We first led, 2-0, then UNL tied us, 2-2, then later it was 3-3, 4-4. Then, Tracy hit the three-run homer in the sixth inning when we were down, 7-6. She is a good hitter as well as a pitcher."

Earlier in the day, Carey threw a

shutout as the Lady Mavs beat UMKC, 8-0. They followed with another shutout win against Grand View College, 15-0, to advance to the championship game.

The Lady Mavs will finish their fall exhibition season Sunday with a tournament at Claussen/Westgate Field.

UNO will open the one-day event with a game against Nebraska Wesleyan University at 10 a.m. They will follow that with a contest against Doane College at 2:30 p.m., then conclude the event with a game against Wayne State College at 4 p.m.

"Even though Wayne State is the only team on our level, all of them are capable of giving us a tough time," Yori said.

*"Being the little sister university to them, nobody gives up much respect, but it was fun."*

—Mary Yori  
UNO Softball Coach

"My second runner, Jannie Ramaekers, didn't run well. She was our second finisher and she finished 27th. In previous meets, the top two runners, Jennifer Kennedy and Jannie would finish like sixth and seventh place. But at this meet, they finished ninth and 27th," he said. "It was a muddy course, but everybody had to go through it."

Suzanne Weeder of Doane won the race with a time of 18 minutes and 31 seconds. Lindsey Miller of UNL was second with a time of 18 minutes, 53 seconds.

Kennedy's ninth-place time was 19 minutes, 33 seconds. Ramaekers' time was 21 minutes, three seconds.

Approximately 55 runners competed in the race.

The Lady Mavs will compete in a meet at Wayne State College this weekend.

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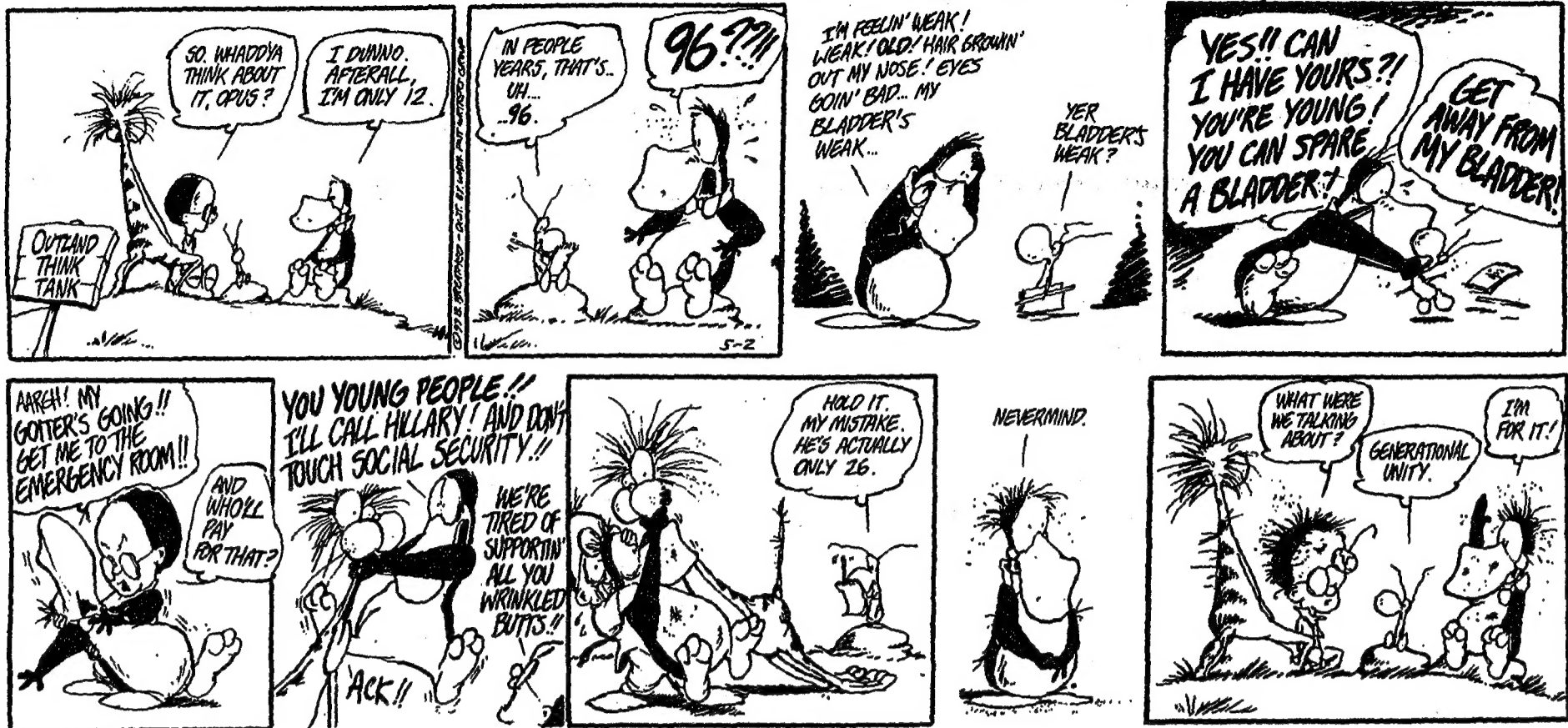
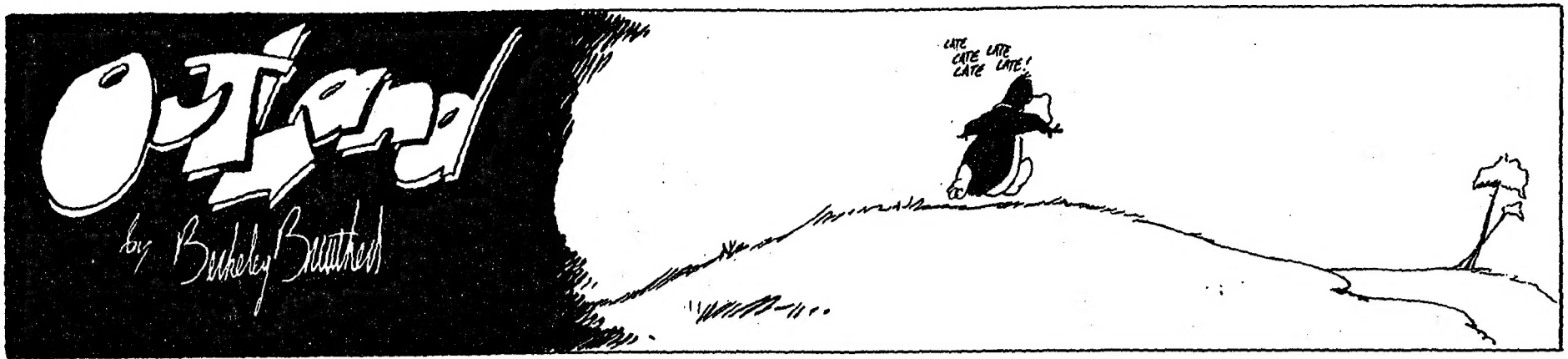
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